Order No. BKF 103-2009

TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE RICCO FIRE USDA - FOREST SERVICE BLACK HILLS NATIONAL FOREST(S)

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. 261.50(a) and 261.50(b), the following acts are prohibited within the Ricco Fire Area on the Northern Hills Ranger District of the Black Hills National Forest, Meade County, State of South Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the Restricted Area. The Restricted Area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A. This Order is necessary to protect soil and vegetation resources within the Ricco Fire area boundary.

PROHIBITIONS IN THE RESTRICTED AREA:

- Possessing or using a motorized vehicle off National Forest System roads. 36 C.F.R. § 261.56.
- Using a motorized vehicle on any National Forest System Road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(a).
- Using a motorized vehicle on any National Forest System Trail. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(b).

Exception: Motor vehicles may be possessed and used only on the following National Forests System Roads within the restricted area:

- National Forest System Road 144.1 Piedmont Fire Trail:
- National Forest System Road 546.1 Mayhappy Flats;
- National Forest System Road 537.1, Stagebarn Caverns Road.

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt:

- (1) Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- (2) Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.

This Order shall remain in effect until rescinded, or until December 31, 2009 whichever event occurs first. This Order supersedes, replaces and rescinds Order No. BKF-093-2008.

Done at Custer, South Dakota this 3rd day of June, 2009

/s/ Craig Bobzien

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Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization,, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 18, U.S.C. §§ 3559 and 3571.